

# Yonge, Samuel H., papers

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1890-1935

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557.00 items

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## **Biographical Information:**

Yonge was an army engineer who worked on flood control projects and navigational improvements. Yonge was interested in excavations at Jamestown and Williamsburg, Va. and in archaeological projects throughout Virginia. He was also the author of "The Site of Old 'James Towne,' 1607-1698. A brief Historical and Topographical Sketch of the First American Metropolis," which has since been published in numerous editions. Further information about this individual or organization may be available in the Special Collections Research Center Wiki:

[Samuel Humphreys Younge](#)

## **Scope and Contents**

Papers, 1890-1935, of Samuel Humphreys Yonge. Yonge was an army engineer who worked on flood control projects and navigational improvements. Yonge was interested in excavations at Jamestown and Williamsburg, Va. and in archaeological projects throughout Virginia. Included is correspondence; early twentieth century photographs of ruins and excavations at Jamestown; notebooks of land patent abstracts and other notes concerning Jamestown; and printed material. The collection also includes an account of Yonge's impressions of Robert E. Lee, president of Washington College (now Washington and Lee University) when Yonge was a student there and other autobiographical notes.

## **Keywords**

Correspondence

Notebooks

Photographs

Jamestown (Va.)--History--17th century

Virginia--History--Colonial period, ca. 1600-1775

Williamsburg (Va.)--Colonial Period--History

Archaeology--Methodology

Washington and Lee University--History

Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

Lee, Robert Edward, 1807-1870

## **Description of Subordinate Components**

**Series 1: Photographs, manuscripts and autobiographical notes**

**Unit ID** id28628

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401212

**Box 1****Unit ID** id28629**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401218**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Photographs of ruins at Jamestown****Unit ID** id28630**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401224**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Early twentieth century photographs of ruins and excavations at Jamestown.

**Picture of Wakefield****Unit ID** id28631**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401225**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Picture of Wakefield; Washington's Birthplace.

**Yonge's impressions of Robert E. Lee****Unit ID** id28632**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401226**Unit Date** Undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Unpublished manuscript of Yonge's student impressions of Robert E. Lee as president of Washington and Lee University. Includes members. Correspondences between Yonge and others about his manuscripts.

**Manuscripts, etc.****Unit ID** id28633**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401227**Unit Date** Undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)**Scope and Contents**

Manuscript of Phi Beta Kappa address at Jamestown, Nov 1926. Manuscript of Yonge's address before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Letter from G. Tyler, enclosing map of early street layout of Jamestown. Remarks on English settlements of Virginia. Memorial for remarks at Jamestown in the Memorial Church. Journal of Assembly of V.A.. Library of Congress Copyright. Souvenir of the Church at Old Jamestown.

**Autobiographical notes, Photographic copy of James River and Map of James City.****Unit ID** id28634**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401228**Unit Date** 1856; 1607-1698**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Yonge's autobiographical notes. Photographic copy of 1856 hydrographic survey of the James River in vicinity of Jamestown. Yonge's map of James City, V.A., 1607-1698.

### **Series 2: Notebooks and Printed Material on James River, Jamestown and surrounding area.**

**Unit ID** id28637

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401213

#### **Scope and Contents**

Two manuscript notebooks containing memos from land patent records of James City Island. Printed works: Government Report Upon the Improvement of Rivers and Harbors in the Norfolk, Virginia District, 1914, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1925, 1926. Jamestown and James River souvenir booklets, A Brief History of and Guide Book to Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown. Rutherford Goodwin, 1930. Official Guide Book Jamestown Centennial Exposition, 1907. Notes on a Journey on the James, 1907. Report of Investigation with Reference to Improving the James River Technical Advisory Corp., 1924. James River from the Head of the Tidewater to Hampton Roads as a National Waterway, 1886.

#### **Box 2**

**Unit ID** id28636

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401219

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

### **Series 3: Newspaper Clippings, Notes and manuscript on Jamestown and Bridge**

**Unit ID** id28639

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401214

#### **Scope and Contents**

A volume of newspaper clippings, 1898-1935, of persons, homes, places, and events of historic interest. Eighty-four page manuscript volume of notes on Jamestown and on bridge construction there. One-hundred ninety-six page manuscript volume of notes on Jamestown. Letters to the Virginia Pilot Concerns; "Location of Grave of Pocahontas".

#### **Box 3**

**Unit ID** id28638

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401220

**Unit Date** 1898-1935

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

### **Series 4: Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id28641

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401215

#### **Box 4**

**Unit ID** id28640

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401221

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

### **Personal notes to Yonge**

**Unit ID** id28643

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401229

**Unit Date** 1921, 1928

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Personal and social notes to Yonge, including invitation to installation of Dr. J. A. C. Chandler as president of William and Mary in 1921; opening of James River Bridge, 1928.

**Letters from Onward Bates**

**Unit ID** id28644

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401230

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Letters from Onward Bates, reviewing a life-time friendship of over sixty years.

**Letters from Philip A. Bruce.**

**Unit ID** id28645

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401231

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Letters from Philip A. Bruce.

**Letter from John Stewart Bryan**

**Unit ID** id28646

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401232

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Letter from John Stewart Bryan, attaching blueprints and recommendations for remodeling and making addition to Virginia Historical Society building, 1932.

**Correspondence with APVA**

**Unit ID** id28647

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401233

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Correspondence with W.A.R. Goodwin**

**Unit ID** id28648

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401234

**Unit Date** 1928

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Bradford Kilby**

**Unit ID** id28649

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401235

**Unit Date** 1923

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence with Bradford Kilby 1923. Society for Preservation of V.A. Antiquities in Suffolk. Includes pictures.

**Correspondence with Gaston Lichtenstein.**

**Unit ID** id28650

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401236

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Mrs. John B. Lightfoot**

**Unit ID** id28651

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401237

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 9 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Morgan P. Robinson.**

**Unit ID** id28652

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401238

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 10 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Mrs. Virginia Taylor**

**Unit ID** id28653

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401239

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 11 (Folder)

**Correspondence with M. Wilmer**

**Unit ID** id28654

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401240

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 12 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Daniel Grihnan**

**Unit ID** id28655

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401241

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 13 (Folder)

**Correspondence with William G. Standard**

**Unit ID** id28656

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401242

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 14 (Folder)

**Correspondence with Benjamin S. Hayne**

**Unit ID** id28657

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401243

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 15 (Folder)

**APVA Correspondence****Unit ID** id28658**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401244**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)**Container** 16 (Folder)**Virginia Historic Society****Unit ID** id28659**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401245**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)**Container** 17 (Folder)**Series 5: Correspondences and Letters****Unit ID** id28661**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401216**Box 5****Unit ID** id28660**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401222**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)**Correspondence with Dr. W.A. R. Goodwin; Misc. letters****Unit ID** id28662**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401246**Unit Date** 1928**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence with Dr. W.A. R. Goodwin, 1928. Misc. letters.

**Misc. correspondence****Unit ID** id28663**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401247**Unit Date** 1933-1935**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Correspondences between APVA and architects of Colonial Williamsburg****Unit ID** id28664**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401248**Unit Date** 1928-1930**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence between APVA committee and architects of Colonial Williamsburg, 1928-1930. Handwritten letters.

**Letters from J.A C. Chandler****Unit ID** id28665**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401249**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)

## **Scope and Contents**

Letters from J.A C. Chandler discussing Phi Beta Kappa.

### **Series 6: Notes and Letters**

**Unit ID** id28667

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401217

#### **Box 5**

**Unit ID** id28666

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401223

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

#### **Speaking about Jamestown and The Book**

**Unit ID** id28668

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401250

**Unit Date** 1904-1926

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

The Book 1904-1926. Articles 1903-1929. Speaking about Jamestown 1904-1926.

#### **Handwritten notes on Jamestown together with a guide to Old Jamestown.**

**Unit ID** id28669

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401251

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

#### **PBK. Engineering societies. Clubs.**

**Unit ID** id28670

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401252

**Unit Date** 1888-1930

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

#### **Tombs: Hollywood Cemetery Comp. John Tyler Monument**

**Unit ID** id28671

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401253

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

#### **Handwritten notes on Capitol restoration**

**Unit ID** id28672

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401254

**Unit Date** 1909-1932

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 9 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Handwritten notes on Capitol restoration. Perry, Shaw and Hepburn Architects. (1909-1932). Correspondence about Capitol 1928-1931.

**E. G. Swem. Capitol restoration**

**Unit ID** id28673

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/401255

**Unit Date** 1928

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 10 (Folder)